



#### **AETD Safety Awareness Campaign**

#### PRESSURE SYSTEMS SAFETY

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## PURPOSE OF THIS PRESENTATION



- To heighten audience awareness on pressure systems safety
- Center policy requirements
- Safety Do's and Don'ts



#### **BACKGROUND**



➤ The Ground-based Pressure Vessels & Pressurized Systems (PV/S) RECERT Program was instituted at GSFC in 1978.

## > Coverage:

- Greenbelt: Main & East Campuses; Areas 100, 200, 300, 400.
- WFF: Main Base, Wallops Island; NSBF -Palestine, TX, & Ft. Sumner, NM; PFRR -Fairbanks, Alaska.

# PV/S RECERT REQUIREMENT DOCUMENTS



- > OSHA 29CFR1960, 29CFR1910.169, et al.
- > NPD 8710.5 (Policy for PV/S Safety).
- > NPR 8715.3 (Safety Manual).
- > NPR 8715.4 (ISI of PV/S in revision).
- ➤ GPR 8710.3 (Cert & Recert of PV/S).



## PV/S RECERT REQUIREMENT NUTSHELL



- ➤ Applies to NASA-owned or operated ground-based PV/S (including vacuum systems) at GSFC and WFF (with certain exceptions).
  - Systems: cryogenics, compressed air, compressed gases, vacuum chambers, hydraulic, jet fuel, elevated water storage tanks.
  - Components: vessels, piping & tubing, pipe/tube supports, flex hoses, relief valves, gages.
  - Included in RECERT commencing in FY05: purge carts & panels, PETS, temporary R&D setups.



## PV/S RECERT REQUIREMENT NUTSHELL



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➤ All ground-based PV/S are required to be Certified by RECERT prior to use and Recertified periodically.



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#### Required PV/S Documentation



- If currently in operation:
  - Risk Assessment
  - Request for Variance for continued operation
- In addition before we can certify a system we need (as applicable):
  - A. Building #, Room #, and/or (location):
  - B. Manufacturing Data Reports (MDR) MDR Form U-1A ( should have been supplied
- or can be obtained from the vendor):
  - C. Piping (as applicable)
    - 1. Design and operating conditions
    - 2. Material Specification (ASTM or ASME)
    - 3. Pipe/tubing Size:
    - 4. Pipe/tubing Wall thickness
    - 5. Pipe/tube fitting type and class (socket weld, butt weld, threaded, mechanical (swage),
    - Valve type, manufacturer, model number, material of construction (body,stem, seat(s), pressure and temperature rating
    - 7. Overpressure protection: Manufacturer, model number, type, size, capacity, set point, seat material
    - 8. Pressure Regulators: Manufacturer, model number, type (single stage, dual stage), material, size, max inlet pressure, max outlet pressure
    - 9. Pressure gages: Manufacturer, model number, inlet size, range
    - 10. As-built P&ID
    - 11. C of C from fabricator and/or installer that the System meets the Code fabrication and installation requirements
    - 12. Record of Code-required NDT
    - 13. Record of Code-required pressure test



## **PV/S TESTS & INSPECTIONS**



#### >PV/S Tests:

- Pneumatic & hydrostatic pressure tests.
- Relief valve set point certification.
- Selected pressure gage calibration.
- Intervals vary by component and contained medium, and currently range from 1 to 2 years.

#### >PV/S Inspections:

- System & component VT, PT, MT, UT.
- Intervals vary by component and contained medium, and currently range from 1 to 10 years.



## **LESSONS LEARNED**































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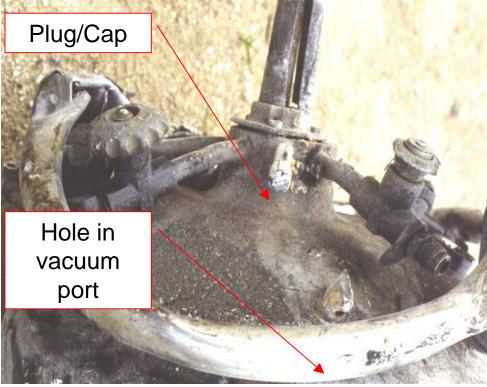








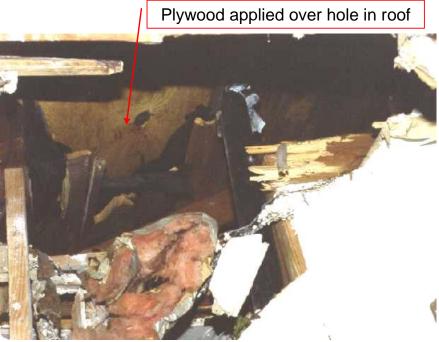






















### THE SLEEPING GIANT

#### I AM A HIGH PRESSURE, COMPRESSED GAS CYLINDER

I stand 57 inches tall.

1 am 9 inches in diameter.

I weigh in at 155 pounds when filled.

I am pressurized at 2,200 pounds per square inch (psi).

I have a wall thickness of about 1/4 inch.

I wear a regulator and hose when at work.

I wear a label to identify the gas I'm holding. My color is not the answer.

I transform miscellaneous stacks of material into glistening ships and many other things—when properly used.

I may transform glistening ships and many other things into miscellaneous stacks of material—when allowed to unleash my fury unchecked.

I can be ruthless and deadly in the hands of the careless or uninformed.

I am too frequently left standing alone on my small base without other visible means of support—my cap removed and lost by an unthinking workman.

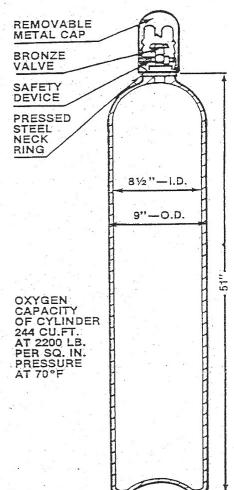
I am ready to be toppled over—when my naked valve can be damaged or even snapped off—and all of my power unleashed through an opening no larger than a lead pencil.

I am proud of my capabilities—here are a few of them:

- —I have on rare occasions been known to jetaway—faster than any dragster.
- -I might smash my way through brick walls.
- -I might even fly through the air.
- —I may spin; ricochet, crash and slash through anything in my path.

You can be my master only under these terms:

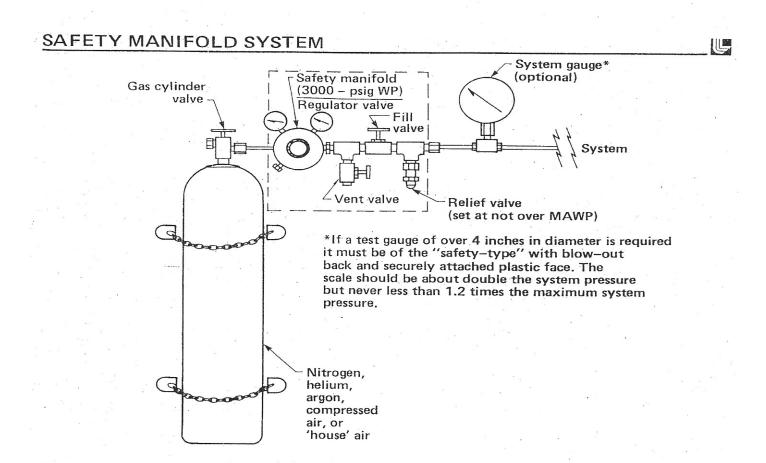
- —Full or empty—see to it that my cap is on, straight and shud.
- -Never-repeat-never leave me standing alone. Secure me so that I cannot fall.



"TREAT ME WITH RESPECT-I AM A SLEEPING GIANT."











- > Do's
  - Design, Procure, and install to Code and NASA requirements
  - Submit design to RECERT/540 for Code compliance review and approval prior to implementation
  - PV/S must be Certified prior to operation
  - Operate and maintain PV/S per OEM recommendations
  - Contact RECERT if you need technical assistance at x6-5183 or x6-4209





#### > Don'ts

- Proceed with procurement without design approval by RECERT/540
- Procure non-ASME vessels
- Operate PV/S without valid Certification
- Ignore OEM recommended maintenance requirements
- Modify system without RECERT approval





#### > Please visit:

http://mscweb.gsfc.nasa.gov/549web/recert/recert.htm